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Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Kinsolving (a charming fellow, high in the Episcopalian Church, who, like his father, a famous cleric, never has attained a bishopric because of his independence of statement, and, I fear, because of jealousy against a family which has traditionally engrossed such positions); Bertie Bell and his wife (he in the wine trade, and the last producer, in a family established in the 17th Century, in the United States, of a male heir; his wife, delightful, was once married to Geoffrey Gates, now deceased, who after their parting married Louise Hopkins, widow of the renowned Harry); Dick Berlin and his pretty wife (he runs the Hearst empire of newspapers and magazines); Marie Louise Bousquet from Paris (Harpers Bazaar, French, unique as a conversationalist and salonniere, who is spending several days with us); Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sitton (she the daughter of the Louchheims, an unusually pleasant couple); and Al Wells, the greatest introducer and catalyst I know.

They stayed late. Almost on their heels, the O'Shaughnessys, WilliamClarks, and Robert E. Lees arrived for sandwiches and drinks, before we went on, as guests of the O'Shaughnessys, to the theatre, to view "Curmantle" by Christopher Fry, given by the Royal Shakespeare company. This was Henry II and Thomas a Becket all over again, an intriguing theme, well played.

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October 14, 1962 - Sunday

Al Irving came out to see me this morning. We had to respond to a State Department inquiry about Southern Rhodesia, subject of almost incessant colloquy in the United Nations, where, at the moment, our policy seems to be to woo the Afro-Asian bloc, regardless of consequences.

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December 3, 1962 - Monday

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The Korean Ambassador, General Honkon Lee, called on me this afternoon. He served in the Japanese Army in 1945, but thereafter seems to have gone over to our side. He participated in the Korean War, and later was made a full General and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. After retirement from the Army he became Ambassador to the Philippines, whence he came here. He has a wife and five children. He still hankers after a military career, but as he is about 60, will have to reconcile himself to civilian pursuits.

Bob Hooker stopped in to see me. I went down to Kensington Palace, to sign the book at Princess Marina's, in connection with the announcement of the engagement of her daughter, Princess Alexandra, to Angus Ogilvie, an attractive fellow.

We had a reception tonight at the house for a mixed bag of about 40 people.